

In the Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A toilet tool holder for providing accessible storage for a tool having an implement and a handle, said holder comprising:

a) a first shell having an inner surface defining a receptacle sized to house the implement and an outer surface defining a first opening, the first shell defining a vertical center axis and an upper portion of the first opening defining an aperture aligned with the vertical center axis and adapted to receive the handle of the tool; and

b) a second shell rotatably engaged to said first shell and rotating with respect to the first shell about the vertical center axis, said second shell having an outer surface defining a second opening, an upper portion of the second opening defining an aperture aligned with the vertical center axis and adapted to receive the handle of the tool;

c) wherein said second shell is rotatable about the vertical center axis between a first position and a second position, wherein in said first position, said first opening and said second opening are cooperatively aligned and adapted to receive the implement of the tool within [[to provide access to]] said receptacle, and in said second position, said outer surface of said second shell and said first opening are cooperatively aligned to prohibit access to said receptacle.

2. (Currently amended) The holder of claim 1 wherein said second shell comprises an implement engaging surface adapted to engage the implement of the tool when the implement of the tool is received within the receptacle.

3. (Original) The holder of claim 2 wherein said implement engaging surface is an annular shaped platform.

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4. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 2 wherein rotation of the handle of a tool, said tool having an implement engaged with said implement engaging surface, in a first direction rotates said second shell toward said first position, and rotation of said handle in a

second direction opposite said first direction rotates said second shell toward said second position.

5. (Original) The holder of claim 1 wherein said first shell comprises an outer shell mounted to a base, wherein said base comprising a plurality of bearing members contiguous with said second shell.

6. (Original) The holder of claim 5 wherein said bearing members are disk-shaped.

7. (Original) The holder of claim 1 wherein said second shell is rotatable within said first shell.

8. (Original) The holder of claim 1 wherein said first shell comprises at least one stop tab to limit rotational movement of said second shell to between said first position and said second position.

9. (Currently amended) The holder of claim 1 wherein the aperature defined by an upper portion [[a portion]] of said first opening and the aperature defined by an upper portion [[a portion]] of said second opening form an aperture that contains the handle when said second shell is in said second position.

10. (Currently amended) A tool holder for providing accessible storage for a tool having an implement and a handle, said holder comprising:

- a) a dome-shaped main body having a vertical center axis and comprising:
 - an exterior surface defining a planar portion and a shell portion, said shell portion defining a first opening and having an annular section adjacent said planar portion and an arcuate section contiguous to said annular section, the arcuate section defining an aperture aligned with the vertical center axis and adapted to receive the handle of the tool;
 - an inner surface defining a tool storage receptacle; and
 - a first ring extending inward from said inner surface along said center axis; and

b) a rotating member rotating with respect to the main body about the vertical center axis, the rotating member comprising:

an implement engaging surface;

an outer surface defining a second opening, an upper portion of the second opening defining an aperture aligned with the vertical center axis and adapted to receive the handle of the tool; and

a second ring extending inward from said rotating member inner surface along said center axis;

c) wherein said first ring and said second ring are rotatably engaged such that said rotating member is rotatable about the vertical center axis between a first position and a second position, wherein in said first position, said first opening and said second opening are cooperatively aligned and adapted to receive the implement of the tool within the receptacle, and in said second position, the outer surface of the rotating member and said first opening are cooperatively aligned to prohibit access to said receptacle ~~is rotatable with respect to said main body about said center axis.~~

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11. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 10 wherein said rotating member is rotatable between a first position and a second position, wherein in said first position, said first opening and said second opening are cooperatively aligned to provide access to said receptacle, and in said second position, said outer surface of said rotating member and said first opening are cooperatively aligned to prohibit access to said receptacle.

12. (Original) The holder of claim 10 wherein said implement engaging surface is an annular shaped platform.

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13. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 10 wherein rotation of the handle of a tool in a first direction rotates said rotating member toward said first position, and rotation of said

handle in a second direction opposite said first direction rotates said rotating member toward said second position.

14. (Original) The holder of claim 10 wherein said main body comprises a plurality of bearing members contiguous with said rotating member.

15. (Original) The holder of claim 14 wherein said bearing members are disk-shaped.

16. (Original) The holder of claim 10 wherein said main body comprises means for reducing rotational friction between said main body and said rotating member.

17. (Original) The holder of claim 10 wherein said rotating member is rotatably mounted within said main body.

18. (Currently amended) The holder of claim 10 ~~[[11]]~~ wherein said main body comprises at least one stop tab to limit rotational movement of said rotating member to between said first position and said second position.

19. (Currently amended) The holder of claim 10 ~~[[11]]~~ wherein the aperature defined by an upper portion ~~[[a portion]]~~ of said first opening and the aperature defined by an upper portion ~~[[a portion]]~~ of said second opening form an aperture that contains the handle when said rotating member is in said second position.

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20. (Cancelled) A holder for providing accessible storage for a tool having an implement and a handle, said holder comprising:

a) a first housing having an inner surface and an outer surface defining a first opening; and

- b) a second housing mounted to said first member, said second housing having an inner surface and an outer surface defining a second opening;
- c) wherein said first housing inner surface and said second housing inner surface cooperatively define a plunger receptacle area;
- d) wherein said first housing and said second housing are concentrically mounted and said second member is rotatable with respect to said first housing.

21. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 20 wherein said second housing is rotatable between a first position and a second position, wherein in said first position, said first opening and said second opening are cooperatively aligned to provide access to said receptacle, and in said second position, said outer surface of said second housing member and said first opening are cooperatively aligned to prohibit access to said receptacle.

22. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 20 wherein said second housing comprises a tool engaging surface.

23. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 22 wherein said tool engaging surface is an annular shaped platform.

24. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 22 wherein rotation of the handle of a plunger, said tool having a implement engaged with said tool engaging surface, in a first direction rotates said second housing toward said first position, and rotation of said handle in a second direction opposite said first direction rotates said second housing toward said second position.

25. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 20 wherein said first housing comprises an outer shell mounted to a base, wherein said base comprises a plurality of bearing members contiguous with said second housing.

26. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 25 wherein said bearing members are disk-shaped.

27. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 20 wherein said first housing comprises means for reducing rotational friction between said first housing and said second housing.

28. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 20 wherein said second housing is rotatably mounted within said first housing.

29. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 20 wherein said first housing comprises at least one stop tab to limit rotational movement of said second housing to between said first position and said second position.

30. (Cancelled) The holder of claim 20 wherein a portion of said first opening and a portion of said second opening form an aperture that surrounds the handle when said second housing is in said second position.

31. (Cancelled) A plunger storage device for a plunger having a cup and a handle, said device comprising:

a container having a plunger container cavity formed therein, a container top opening defined by a container top edge, and a container side wall opening defined by a container side edge; and

a sidewall slidably engaged with said container and moveable from an open position to a closed position, wherein said cavity is enclosed when said sidewall is in said closed position and is exposed when said side wall is in said open position;

wherein the handle extends through and above said container top opening when the plunger is stored within the cavity such that said sidewall is moveable between said open and closed positions by rotation of said plunger handle.

32. (Cancelled) The device of claim 31 wherein said sidewall comprises a plunger engaging surface.

33. (Cancelled) The device of claim 31 wherein said container comprises at least

one stop tab to limit movement of said sidewall to between said open position and said closed position.

34. (Cancelled) The device of claim 31 wherein said sidewall comprises at least one stop tab to limit movement of said sidewall to between said open position and said closed position.

35. (Cancelled) The device of claim 31 wherein said container comprises means for reducing friction between said container and said sidewall.

36. (Cancelled) A toilet tool storage device for a tool having a implement and a handle, said device comprising:

a container having a implement container cavity formed therein, a container top opening defined by a container top edge, and a container side wall opening defined by a container side edge; and

a sidewall slidably engaged with said container and moveable from an open position to a closed position, wherein said cavity is enclosed when said sidewall is in said closed position and is exposed when said side wall is in said open position;

wherein the handle extends through and above said container top opening when the plunger is stored within the cavity such that said sidewall is moveable between said open and closed positions by rotation of said plunger handle.

37. (Cancelled) The device of claim 36 wherein said sidewall comprises an implement engaging surface.

38. (Cancelled) The device of claim 36 wherein said container comprises at least one stop tab to limit movement of said sidewall to between said open position and said closed position.

39. (Cancelled) The device of claim 36 wherein said sidewall comprises at least one stop tab to limit movement of said sidewall to between said open position and said closed position.

40. (Cancelled) The device of claim 36 wherein said container comprises means for reducing friction between said container and said sidewall.

41. (Cancelled) The device of claim 36 wherein said container remains in said closed position when an operator lifts vertically on the handle, such that said container is transportable from a first storage location to a second storage location by manipulation of the handle.

Please add new claims 42-49.

42. (New) A toilet tool holder in combination with a tool having an implement and a handle, the toilet tool holder providing accessible storage for the tool, comprising:

a) the holder including a first shell having an inner surface defining a receptacle sized to house the implement of the tool and an outer surface defining a first opening, the first shell defining a vertical center axis and an upper portion of the first opening defining an aperture aligned with the vertical center axis and adapted to receive the handle of the tool; and

b) the holder further including a second shell rotatably engaged to said first shell and rotating with respect to the first shell about the vertical center axis, the second shell having an outer surface defining a second opening, an upper portion of the second opening defining an aperture aligned with the vertical center axis and adapted to receive the handle of the tool;

c) wherein the second shell is rotatable about the vertical center axis between a first position and a second position, wherein in the first position, the first opening and the second opening are cooperatively aligned and adapted to receive the implement of the tool within the receptacle, and in the second position, the outer surface of the second shell and the first opening are cooperatively aligned to prohibit access of the implement into the receptacle; and

d) further wherein when the implement is within the receptacle, the implement engages the second shell and rotation of the handle of a tool about the vertical center axis in a first direction rotates the second shell toward the first position, and rotation of the handle about the vertical center axis in a second direction opposite said first direction rotates said second shell toward the second position.

43. (New) The holder and tool of claim 42 wherein the second shell further includes an implement engaging surface adapted to engage the implement of the tool when the implement of the tool is received within the receptacle.

44. (New) The holder and tool of claim 43 wherein the implement engaging surface is an annular shaped platform.

45. (New) The holder and tool of claim 42 wherein the first shell comprises an outer shell mounted to a base, wherein the base comprises a plurality of bearing members contiguous with the second shell.

46. (New) The holder of claim 45 wherein the bearing members are disk-shaped.

47. (New) The holder of claim 42 wherein the second shell is rotatable within the first shell.

48. (New) The holder and tool of claim 42 wherein the first shell comprises at least one stop tab to limit rotational movement of the second shell to between the first position and the second position.

49. (New) The holder and tool of claim 42 wherein the aperture defined by an upper portion of the first opening and the aperture defined by an upper portion of the second opening form an aperture that contains the handle when said second shell is in said second position.

50. The holder and tool of claim 42 wherein the tool is a toilet plunger and the implement is a plunger cup.